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# (54) AUTOMATIC RESPONSE CULLING FOR WEB APPLICATION SECURITY SCAN SPIDERING PROCESS

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# (57) ABSTRACT

A method of testing a web application, wherein a web application is a program that operates on a server and interacts with clients that access the program over a network, wherein further the web application accepts parameters that define results generated from the web application, the method comprising determining which web application uniform resource identifiers (URIs) are used to access various web applications on a system, determining if more than a threshold of the URIs are for a common web application, selecting a subset of less than all of the URIs for the common web application when the threshold is exceeded for that common web application, wherein the subset is selected at least in part independently of the order generated and performing a security scan on the selected subset.

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